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Memorandum

TO: Programming and Allocations Committee

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RE: Draft Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan Update (MTC Resolution No. 4035): Input from February 27 Mobility Management Summit

As mentioned in the Committee Summary Sheet mailed out for Item 4b, MTC hosted a Mobility Management Summit on February 27th. The summit invited key stakeholders from around the region to offer feedback to MTC on the regional vision for mobility management included in the Draft Coordinated Plan update, and to offer suggestions for the best role for MTC in advancing mobility management strategies throughout the region as recommended in the draft plan. The summit participants included MTC commissioners and staff, and executives from public transit operators, county congestion management agencies, public and private human service agencies, and human service transportation providers, as well as a representative from MTC's Policy Advisory Council.

MTC received wide-ranging and substantial feedback from summit participants on the role MTC can play to strengthen mobility management throughout the region, including the following major and recurring points:

- Summit participants generally supported the regional vision for mobility management included in the Draft Coordinated Plan update.
- Greater emphasis should be placed on expanding the range and variety of local services available to seniors and people with disabilities, in addition to access to information and referrals to services through enhanced coordination efforts.
- Some counties need help identifying or strengthening institutions to serve as mobility managers. Technical assistance for development and startup activities is also desirable. MTC could have a role in both of those areas.
- MTC should lead efforts to enact legislative changes at the state and federal level to remove barriers to coordination between public transit and human service transportation providers and to provide greater resources for services.
- MTC should help broaden the range of organizations engaged in coordination of information and services to achieve greater mobility outcomes. Participants also encouraged MTC to develop a forum for periodic discussion of mobility management-related issues and progress in the region and to share best practices.

Many of the suggestions from the summit are already included as Transportation Solutions, Regional Coordination Strategies, or Next Steps in the Draft Coordinated Plan Update. Staff recommends that the Committee refer MTC Resolution No. 4085, including any additional changes to fully reflect the key ideas noted above, to the Commission for approval.

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